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9L, SIERRA LEONE. Rumor is circulating that the government of Sierra Leone has curtailed all amateur radio activities and has confiscated all the amateur radio equipment they can find. Apparently, this happened a couple of weeks ago and word is just now getting around. There will be more information as we hear it. (This information is from W4DVJ.)

9M6, EAST MALAYSIA. Both G4CVI and G4CCZ are supposed to be active from here as 9M6SMC, but no spots have been reported on the Ohio/Penn Network. From Sabah, they are to be active on all bands including the WARC bands. Activity will last until August 8, but G4CVI will leave a week early while Paul, G4CCZ, will stay on to finish operating. Paul then plans to go to Brunei to operate for a couple of days (August 9 and 10).

DA1WA/P SPECIAL EVENT STATION. Be looking for this station from July 31 to August 2. It will be operating from Frankenstein's Castle located near Darmstadt, Germany. Activity will be on 80-10 meters, CW/SSB and digital modes. A special QSL card will be available for one U.S. green stamp or 2 to 3 IRCs (listen for details). QSL to Rob Kipp (DJ0PU), Huegelstr 25, D-W-6070 Langen, Germany.

DK6NP'S SUMMER HOLIDAY OR PACIFIC DXPEDITION? Peter, DK6NP, will spend his summer holiday in Fiji, Tonga and Western Samoa from August 1-26. He will use the callsigns of A35NP, 5W1NP and probably 3D2NP (3D2 license has not been issued yet.) Peter will be on the main islands of these countries, but he will also try to activate some rare islands off the main island. From August 13-18 he will be on Lifuka Island in the Haapai group in Tonga. This island has not been assigned an IOTA number yet. Peter mentions he may be active from Yasawa Islands (OC-156) in the Fiji group from August 3-6. He will be visiting several of the islands in that group during that time frame. Peter states, "This is my summer holiday and not a DXpedition."

HA5BUS GROUP. Leon, K2EWB, was heard saying the HA5BUS people are still in Malaysia and waiting for the go ahead to move on to their next location. The EP/HA5BUS and S2/HA5BUS QSL cards are being printed in Germany and will be sent to Budapest where a big group will sort them out. Nothing is expected to be sent out for at least another month.

KH2, GUAM. Ken, W2IMO, has been a quite active on 20 meters SSB/CW this past week signing W2IMO/KH2. He has no specific frequency that he operates on, but activity seems to be between 1100 to 1200z. Also, European sources

report activity on 15 meters, but no spots have been seen on the Ohio/Penn Network. Ken will be QRV until August. QSLs go to WB20QY. David, KE2PF, who is also signing /KH2, will be active for the next two years. At this time, OPDX does not have QSNs to report on KE2PF/KH2.

HD8, GALAPAGOS ISLANDS. John, TG9VT, informs OPDX that last week's bulletin (OPDX.069) had an error. It concerns HD8VO. The operator of HP1XPN was incorrect and should have been George Wesley, KB2VO. QSL to KB2VO CBA.

KH3, JOHNSTON ISLAND. KH3AE and KH3AF will try to be active from Sand Island every weekend between now and December. KH3AE was heard on 18142 kHz around 0614z. They hope to use the big LORAN towers to build LF arrays and they promised to check 160 meters at 0200z, 0400z and 0500z daily during each trip.

OD, LEBANON. Hani, N3IWM, will be going to Tripoli from July 20 thru August 30 and will sign OD5RH. Activity will be on CW and SSB. QSL via N3IWM.

S2, BANGLADESH. Denny, GW3CDP, was heard saying Erik, WZ6C, was on his way back to Bangladesh and got as far as Alaska, but had to return home because of plane trouble. Erik was reported fine and is on his way again. If all goes well Erik should be back in S2-land by July 17. Word has it that Erik should have his licences waiting for him when he arrives. It was also reported that John, W4FRU, was heard telling Denny on the 21335 DX net, that he received a FAX from S21A. The FAX stated that S21A was assembling a beam and would be QRV in the next few days. Also, S21B is waiting to receive his equipment and should be QRV shortly.

UPDATE 7/17: S21A was reported on 21297 kHz 1830z with Erik.

UPDATE 7/18: John, W4FRU, announced to GW3CDP that he would be the QSL Manager for both S21A, S21B and S2/WZ6C. Also, S21A showed up on the 14256 DX net around 0015z.

TN, CONGO. Andre, TN1AT, who is active from here shows up every first and third Saturday of the month on the 14256 DX net at 2100z. He showed up this past Saturday (July 18) and the report was that the pile up was horrendous. About 50 stations were able to work him. Be looking for Andre again on August 1st at 2100z on 14256 kHz. QSL via F6FNU.

XU, KAMPUCHEA. Patrick, F6IRF, was fairly active as XU8CW this past weekend with few takers on 15 meters. He was also active on 18133 and 18076 kHz from 1430 to 1500z. He will be QRV until August 31st. QSL via FD1GTR.

FROM THE ARRL..... The DXCC announced this week that the recent F00CI operation from Clipperton Island has been accredited for DXCC purposes. There is a correction to ARRL DX Bulletin (7/10/92): QSLs for VP8CBK, should go to K1IED and not to K1EID as mentioned in the bulletin.

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